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Applicant:	Szymanski et al	Paper Number:	4
U.S.S.N:	10/730,562	Art Unit:	3612
Filing Date:	12/08/03	Examiner:	Patel, K.
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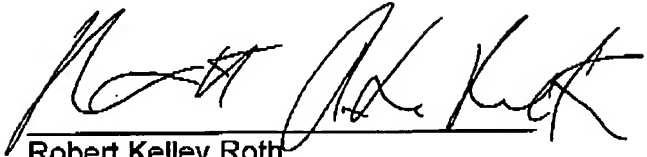
The following is in response to the Office Action mailed on October 29, 2004 in the above captioned patent application.

1. Claims 1-11 are pending in the application. Examiner Patel has presented a Restriction requirement, arguing that a pair of inventions are disclosed, I in claims 1-7 (Class 296, subclass 65.01) and II in Claims 8-11 (Class 296, Subclass 65.09).

Applicant respectfully traverses this restriction, but selects Invention I. Applicant respectfully notes that Class 296, Subclass 65.09 is directed to Land Vehicles: Bodies and Tops; including hinged backrests. Further, claims 1-7 clearly recite a seat back and a seat base pivotable with respect to the seat back. Therefore, claims 1-7 fit in the same subcombination as claims 8-11. Applicant respectfully requests that the restriction requirement be withdrawn.

Respectfully Submitted,

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